

## MCC Medical Assisting Program meets goals to maintain accreditation

MANCHESTER – The Medical Assisting Education Review Board (MAERB) has notified Manchester Community College that its Medical Assisting Associate Degree program – which shows a 200% increase in applications for Fall 2009 – has successfully met all the required thresholds to maintain its accreditation from the Commission on the Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs.

In its notification letter, the MAERB congratulated MCC on “meeting the retention, placement, exam success, graduate survey and employer survey outcome thresholds.”

The MAERB reviews these outcomes annually, says MCC Allied Health Sciences Department Chair Cindy Feldhousen, and MCC consistently meets or exceeds the requirements.

“We have a quality program here,” Feldhousen says, “and I think applicants are now realizing that. They’re also realizing that they don’t need to spend upwards of \$20,000 to earn their degree in Medical Assisting,” referring to the cost of attending some private colleges for a Medical Assisting degree. MCC’s degree saves students more than \$7000 in tuition, Feldhousen adds.

More information about MCC’s Medical Assisting degree and certificate programs is available at [www.manchestercommunitycollege.edu/programs/medassistant.aspx](http://www.manchestercommunitycollege.edu/programs/medassistant.aspx)

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